

in this instance the aphids in the nest were of a *Trama* sp. A. P. FOSTER, c/o Nature Conservancy Council, Northminster House, Peterborough, PW1 1UA.

EILEMA CANIOLA HUBN. (HOARY FOOTMAN) IN SW IRELAND — On 17th August 1986 at Baltimore Bay near Skibbereen, SW Ireland, a single *caniola* was attracted to m.v. light. According to Skinner *Colour Identification Guide to Moths of the British Isles* the only previous Irish record this century is by de Worms near Waterford in 1954. Other interesting species seen were: *Euxoa obelisca* D. & S., *Agrotis trux* Hb., *Standfussiana lucerneae* L., *Abrostola trigemina* Wernb., *Plusia festucae* L., *Eilema complana* L., *Selidosema brunnearia* Vill. and *Stilba anomala* Haw.

A week earlier (10th August) amongst rocky ground near Kilaboy, Co. Claire, 120 species of macrolepidoptera were recorded at m.v., the best being 3 *Acronicta euphorbia* ssp. *Myricae* Guen., 1 *Calamia tridens* ssp. *occidentalis* Cock., 8 *S. lucerneae*, 2 *A. trigemina*, 4 *Autographa bractea* D. & S., 3 *Setina irrorella* L., 60 *Lithosia quadra* L., 4 *Coenoteaphria salicata* ssp. *latentaria* Curt., 3 *Perizoma bifaciata* Haw., 2 *Catarhoe cuculata* Hufn., 6 *Gnophos obfiscatus* D. & S. and 10 *Aspitates gilvaria burrenensis* Cock. DAVID BROWN, Jacksons Drive, 25 Charlcote, nr. Warwick.

THE VOLTINISM OF CNEPHASIA CONSPERSANA DOUGL. (LEPIDOPTERA; TORTRICIDAE) IN THE INNER HEBRIDES. — *Cnephasia conspersana*, Douglas 1846, is a littoral and univoltine species throughout most of Britain but appears to be bivoltine in the Burren in Ireland. Two flight periods also seem to occur on the Isle of Coll in the Inner Hebrides. Imagines have been taken in the second half of July in three different years (i.e. 24.vii.1982, 19.vii.1985, 23.vii.1986) and a pupa found in the terminal shoot of *Cerastium fontanum* (common mouse-ear) on 19.vii.1985 emerged on 25.vii.1985. However a pupa found in spun leaves of *Trifolium pratense* (red clover) on 25.vii.1984 delayed its emergence until 17.viii.1984, while well-grown larvae collected on 19.vii.1985 (in seedpod of *Rhinanthus minor* (yellow rattle) and 21.vii.1985 (in the flowerhead of *Hypochoeris* sp.) emerged on 24 and 23.viii.1985 respectively. Thus on the Isle of Coll a tendency to two flight periods appears to be due to a univoltine species adopting two different emergence strategies. — K. P. BLAND, 35 Charterhall Road, Edinburgh EH9 3HS.

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